



City of Farmers Branch

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75234

Legislation Text

File #: ORD-3411, Version: 1

Consider adopting Ordinance No. 3411 approving the 2014 National Electric Code as amended; and take appropriate action.

BACKGROUND:

The City has been and is currently using the 2002 National Electric Code since March of 2002. Model construction codes such as the NEC are updated and re-published on a three year cycle. Staff is recommending updating to the most current edition, the 2014 National Electric Code. There are too many changes to list when jumping four cycles (12 years), however some notable changes to the 2014 NEC are new marking requirements for electrical equipment, providing dedicated space above and below outdoor electrical equipment, expanding the requirements for GFCI and AFCI protection and simplifying the rules for sizing conductors. The main reason the City was under the 2002 NEC for such a long duration is primarily due to the delay of the NCTCOG in getting regional amendments created and published. Currently, all of our neighboring municipalities have adopted and are enforcing the 2014 NEC.

RECOMMENDATION:

City Administration recommends approval of Ordinance No. 3411, as presented.

POSSIBLE COUNCIL ACTION:

1. I move to approve Ordinance No. 3411, as presented.
2. I move to approve Ordinance No. 3411, with the following modifications...
3. I move to table the issue for further study or take no action.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Ordinance No. 3411